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PRC/TAIWAN: FIRST RED CROSS VISIT

Two officials of the PRC Red Cross arrived in Taipei yesterday to visit seven mainland fishermen on trial for robbing a Taiwan boat, according to press reports. During their four-day stay the Red Cross officials also plan to visit the Taiwan Red Cross and the Straits Exchange Foundation, Taiwan's office for managing relations with the mainland.

Comment: The trip was postponed for a week until the PRC accepted Taiwan's conditions that the visit be solely humanitarian and not involve negotiations concerning the fishermen!

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